

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was first established in April 1974 by Presidential Proclamation and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week; and

**WHEREAS**, Volunteer Week Hawai'i brings together residents, visitors, nonprofits, businesses, schools, and government agencies in a concerted effort to serve and benefit our communities in various ways; and

**WHEREAS**, Volunteer Week Hawai'i demonstrates what it means to *live aloha* by taking action to care for the people and the communities we call home; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteerism helps build community resilience by promoting individual and collective action to support strong community initiatives for a more sustainable future for Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS,** many environmental, social, cultural and educational volunteer opportunities abound in Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the act of giving oneself in service to another empowers both the giver and recipient; and

**WHEREAS,** Volunteer Week Hawai'i is an opportunity to celebrate the impact of volunteer service in our communities and encourage volunteers to lend their time and talents and connect with community service opportunities through hundreds of local service organizations; and

**WHEREAS,** across the nation and throughout Hawai'i, service projects will be performed and volunteers will be recognized for their selfless commitment to service;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim April 17–23, 2022 as

## "VOLUNTEER WEEK HAWAI'I"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the countless ways volunteers help to enrich our state and encourage each of us to work together to make our communities stronger, safer and more resilient.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifteenth day of April 2022.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i